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1. I MUST SAY I AM DISAPPOINTED THAT IN MEETING IN WHICH BELOVSKI COMPLAINS ABOUT RELATIVELY TRIVIAL INCIDENTS INCLUDING CIRCULATION OF LEAFLETS NO ONE THOUGHT TO MENTION TO BELOVSKI ACTIVITIES OF MANDIC DIRECTED AGAINST ME AND MY FAMILY (REF B). I ASSURE YOU I FEEL NO PERSONAL DANGER SINCE I AM CONVINCED MANDIC WORKS FOR SUP, BUT I CERTAINLY THINK IT WOULD HAVE BEEN APPROPRIATE ON THAT OCCASION TO HIT BELOVSKI WITH THAT SUBJECT AS WELL AS SUP'S INCREDIBLE BEHAVIOR VIS-A-VIS EMBASSY EMBEZZLER. WERE YOU INFORMED OF THESE MATTERS?

2. THE FLETCHER VISIT FOR THE NIKOLA TESLA CELEBRATION APPARENTLY WENT WELL. I WAS GIVEN VERY LITTLE INFORMATION BY DEPT CONCERNING PLANNING AND HAD NO IDEA THAT TITO AND FLETCHER WERE TO EXCHANGE GIFTS AND STATEMENTS ON SATURDAY, JULY 10 AT SMILJAN, OTHERWISE I WOULD HAVE BEEN THERE (I GAVE SPEECH AT OPENING DAY).

3. I AM INCREASINGLY CONCERNED THAT GOY HOLDING OFF
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ON RELEASING TOTH UNTIL SOME "MOVEMENT" ON BOMBING

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INVESTIGATION. AS I HOPE YOU KNOW, I HAVE ALWAYS BELIEVED HERLJEVIC VIEWED TOTH CASE AS IN PART LEVERAGE ON U.S. ACTIONS VIS-A-VIS HOSTILE EMIGRES. I FRANKLY DO NOT UNDERSTAND NOR WILL I EVER UNDERSTAND EUR/EE'S VIEW THAT WE SHOULD CONTINUE BUSINESS AS USUAL (SUCH AS SENDING FLETCHER TO NIKOLA TESLA COMMEMORATION) WHILE TOTH IS IN JAIL.

4. I HAVE THOUGHT A GOOD DEAL ABOUT YOUR SUGGESTION TO SEND NICK ANDREWS TO BELGRADE IN AUGUST AND I AM AFRAID I SEE NO GOOD WHICH COULD COME OF IT, PARTICULARLY AFTER THE ZXJ PIECE WHICH SURELY AT LEAST IN PART EMANATED FROM EE. I CANNOT HELP BUT FEEL WE MARCH TO DIFFERENT DRUMMERS.
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